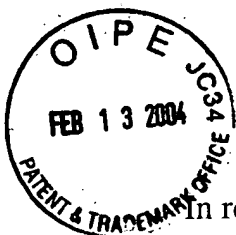


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RESPONSE

Responsive to the Official Action dated January 26, 2004, applicant elects claims 1, 2, 5, 6 and 11-31, Group I, as indicated in the response of October 20, 2003 and of the elected claims species (a) methods drawn to iontophoresis. This response is made with traverse. It is not believed that the Office will be put to any undue burden in examining both of the methods listed.

An examination on the merits is awaited.

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